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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 24, 2003, in the above-identified application, please amend the claims and consider the following remarks. Applicant makes herewith a request for a two month extension of time to respond to this Office Action.